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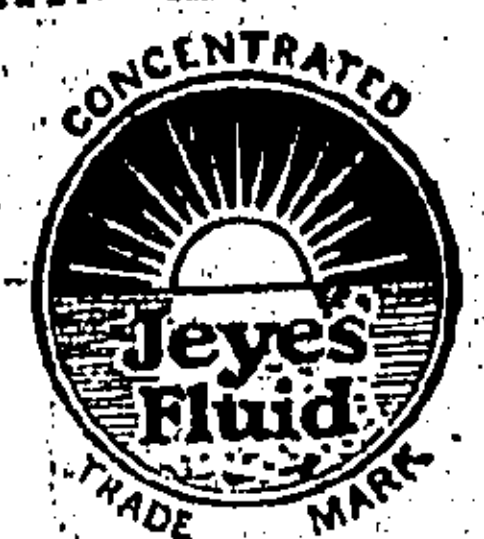
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LONDON, January 23.
Additional Ministerial appointments are as follows:—
Minister of Pensions.....Mr. F. O. Roberts.
Attorney-General.....Mr. Patrick Hastings, K.C.
Solicitor-General.....Mr. H. H. Slessor.
Financial Secretary of the Treasury.....Mr. William Graham.
Financial Secretary of the War Office.....Mr. John James Lawson.
Parliamentary Secretary of the Treasury and Chief Whip.....Mr. Ben Spoor.
The following have been appointed Under Secretaries:—

War.....Major C. R. Attles.
Colonies.....Mr. Sydney Arnold.
India.....Professor Robert Richards.
Foreign Affairs.....Mr. Arthur Ponsonby.
Home Affairs.....Mr. Rhye John Davies.
Air.....Mr. William Leach.
Scottish Health.....Mr. James Stewart.
The following have been appointed Parliamentary Secretaries:—

Admiralty.....Mr. Ammon.
Agriculture.....Mr. Walter R. Smith.
Board of Trade.....Mr. A. V. Alexander.
Education.....Mr. Morgan Jones.
Health.....Mr. Arthur Greenwood.
Labour.....Miss Margaret Bondfield.
Mines.....Mr. William Lunn.
Overseas Trade.....Mr. William Lunn.
All the foregoing are members of the House of Commons, except Messrs. Slessor and Arnold.

CAREERS IN BRIEF.

Mr. F. O. Roberts, J.P., the Minister of Pensions, has been Labour M.P. for West Bromwich since 1918. He is a trade union secretary and a member of the Labour Party National Executive.

Mr. Patrick Hastings, K.C., Attorney-General, has been Labour M.P. for Wallsend since 1922. Beginning his career as an engineer, he became a journalist and then a barrister-at-law. He served in the South African War.

Mr. William Graham, Financial Secretary of the Treasury, entered the War Office as a junior clerk in 1903. He followed journalism from 1904 to 1918. During this period he had a distinguished career at Edinburgh University. Elected to Edinburgh Town Council in 1913, he soon became a member of many other public bodies, including several Royal commissions. Mr. Graham has taken a leading part in Scottish legislation and has written largely on social, industrial and economic questions.

Mr. John James Lawson, Financial Secretary of the War Office, was educated at various Board Schools. He commenced work in a mine at 12 years of age. Since 1919 he has been Labour M.P. for the Chester-le-Street Division of County Durham.

Mr. Benjamin Charles Spoor, Parliamentary Secretary of the Treasury and Chief Whip, entered politics in 1918 as Labour M.P. for the Bishop Auckland Division of Durham.

Major Clement Richard Attles, Under Secretary for War, was educated at Halesbury and Oxford. He was called to the Bar, Inner Temple, in 1905. He saw service in the war with the South Lancashire Regiment and the Tank Corps (Gallipoli, Mesopotamia and France). Mayor of Stepney in 1910, he entered politics in 1922 as M.P. for the Limehouse Division. He was then appointed Parliamentary Private Secretary to the Leader of the Opposition.

Mr. Sydney Arnold, Under Secretary for Colonies, has been M.P. since 1912. He was Parliamentary Private Secretary to the President of the Board of Education and to the Financial Secretary of the Treasury in 1914. He joined the Labour Party in 1922.

Professor Robert Richards, Under Secretary for India, Professor of Economic Botany, University, has been Labour M.P. for the Wrexham Division of Denbigh since 1922.

Mr. Arthur Ponsonby, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, son of the late General the Rt. Hon. Sir Henry Ponsonby and the Hon. Lady Ponsonby, grand-daughter of the Earl of Grey, Prime Minister, was educated at Eton and Balliol College, Oxford. He was Page of Honour to Queen Victoria, from 1882 to 1887. He served in the diplomatic service at Constantinople, Copenhagen, and the Foreign Office. In 1906 he was made principal private secretary to the Prime Minister, the late Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman. He became a Labour M.P. in 1922.

Mr. Rhye John Davies, Under Secretary for Home Affairs, has been a Labour M.P. since 1921. For ten years he was a member of Manchester City Council. Now a member of the National Executive of the Labour Party, he has held several union posts as secretary. He began life working as a farm hand and was for ten years a coal miner.

Mr. William Leach, Under Secretary of the Air Ministry, is a worsted manufacturer and a member of Bradford City Council. He was elected M.P. in 1922.

Mr. James Stewart, Under Secretary for Scottish Health, is a member of Glasgow Town Council. He has been a Labour M.P. since 1922.

EXPRESS TRAIN'S ESCAPE.
RAILWAY STRIKE INCIDENT.
LOGS ACROSS THE RAILS.
LOYAL WORKERS JOINING STRIKERS.
(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, January 23.
The dislocation of industry in South Wales owing to the strike has been estimated at that over 80,000 colliers are now idle. The strike committee claims that 150 N.U.R. locomotive drivers at Derby have joined the strikers. London and North Eastern Railway officials report that an attempt was made to interfere with the express from Glasgow to Edinburgh this morning. Pieces of wood and heavy coping stone were found on the line near Bishop Riggs. A goods train preceding the express cleared the obstruction without damage. [A village in Lanarkshire, Bishop Riggs is 3 1/2 miles from Glasgow, on the North British Railway.]

DEFECTION SPREADS.

LONDON, January 23.
The railway strike position was easier in London this morning, there being a fair number of trains. Further Welsh collieries have been rendered idle. The defection among the N.U.R. men is increasing at Carlisle, where a joint strike committee has been formed. Mr. J. H. Thomas, the new Minister of Colonies, has resigned the political secretaryship of the N.U.R.

INDUSTRY SUFFERS.

LONDON, January 23.
The railway managers are meeting secretly to consider the locomotive drivers' request for a conference. Meanwhile the strike continues to affect industry in various parts of the country and has led to a serious shortage of coal at Liverpool where cargo steamers have already been delayed and a partial hold-up of shipping is threatened. A large oil mill has closed down and work at the Hull docks is practically at a standstill. Some large collieries at Doncaster have been rendered partially idle and it is feared thousands of miners in South Yorkshire will be idle by the end of the week, failing improvement in the situation.

SECRET "MEETING FAILS."

LONDON, January 22.
The railway managers' meeting adjourned without arriving at a decision with regard to the locomotive drivers' request for a joint conference.

Major Charles George Ammon, J. P., Parliamentary Secretary of the Admiralty is the organising secretary of the Union of Postal Workers. Beginning as telegraph messenger, he spent 26 years in the Postal Service. He took an active part in trade union work and eventually became a member of the Labour Party's National Executive. He has been Labour M. P. for North Camberwell since 1922.

Mr. Morgan Jones, Parliamentary Secretary for Education, is an ex-school teacher who declared himself a conscientious objector during the war and was imprisoned. He was offered his post back after the war, but refused to take it, preferring to work underground as a collier. He was elected to Glamorgan County Council in 1919 and later became a member of the National Council of the Independent Labour Party. He won his seat in the House of Commons in 1922.

Mr. Arthur Greenwood, Parliamentary Secretary for Health, has been a Lecturer in Economics at the University of Leeds. He has served on many social and industrial commissions and has written numerous books. He was elected M.P. for Nelson and Colne (Lancs.) in 1922.

Miss Margaret Bondfield, Parliamentary Secretary for Labour, is the first woman to hold office in the Government in Britain. A Trade Unionist and Labour leader, she has been active as a lecturer and writer for the Labour and Socialist movement. She has been a delegate to numerous conferences held abroad.

Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, Parliamentary Secretary for Mines, is National Organizer and Parliamentary Agent of the Amalgamated Marine Workers' Union. He was elected M.P. in 1922.

Mr. William Lunn, Parliamentary Secretary for Overseas Trade, started work in a pit at 12 years of age and is now a checkweighman. He entered politics in 1918.

CLEARING THE GROUND.

LONDON, January 23.
A communiqué states that the meeting of the Cabinet lasted two hours. Preliminary decisions were taken as regards a number of questions, including unemployment, housing, agriculture, and those affecting ex-Servicemen, with a view to effecting immediate improvements administration and the working out of the details of the policy to be announced when Parliament meets.

FINANCE CONFIDENT.

LONDON, January 23.
The Stock Exchange opened confidently. The Cabinet appointments are viewed favourably. Gilt-edged investments were a half per cent. above yesterday's figures. At the close Consols were 55 1/2 and war loan 99 1/2. Railways were a half to one higher, industrials participating in the rise.

"WHITE RACE'S HOPE."

WASHINGTON, January 23.
Mr. Victor Berger, the only Socialist member of Congress, has cabled his congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, adding: "To-day Americanism and capitalism have come to mean the same thing. The working class of Britain is the hope of the white race and the world. Therefore down with the bellish Versailles treaty!"

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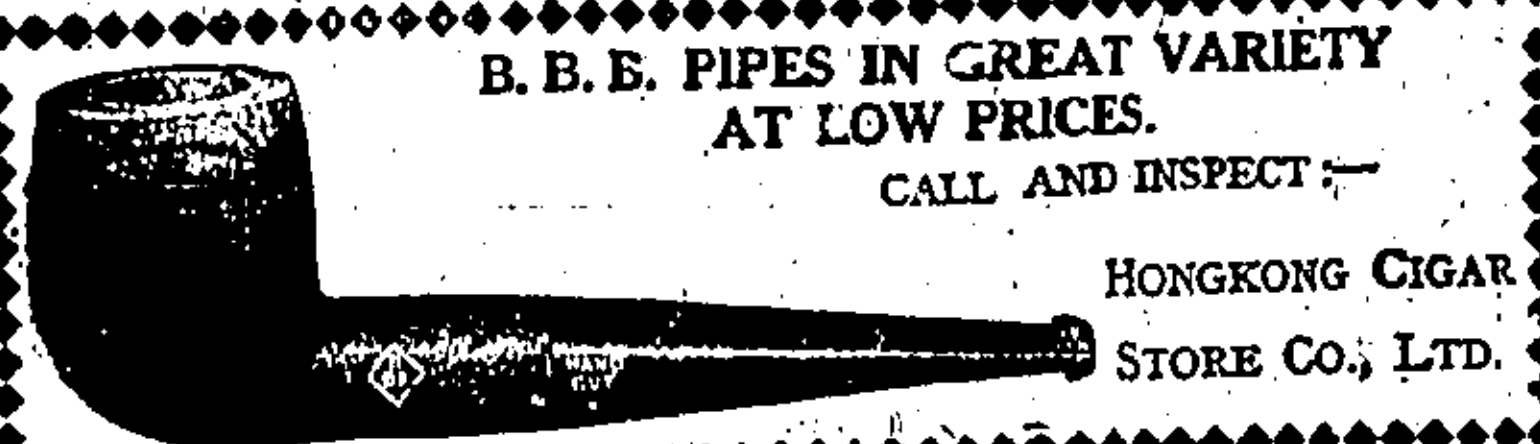
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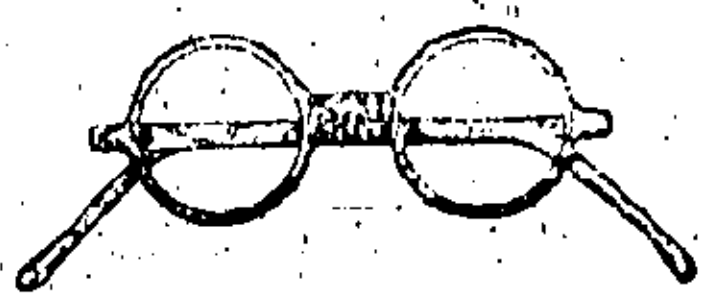
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HONGKONG THURSDAY, JAN. 24, 1924.

EDUCATION AGAIN.

While the Government conveniently so it seems, boggles; while, like the weather it seemingly has no mind of its own; while from all accounts it is said to have appointed an "Acting" Director of Education from its own ranks of alleged Admirable Creations of Cadets, in the face of reiterated pleas for a qualified and technical man to fill one of the most exacting posts in the Colony, and warnings as to how matters are viewed, not by a handful, but numbers beyond ordinary expectation, it has remained for one of our local Headmasters to issue a report which is a clear call to action in matters of education. In describing this particular report as an act of courage, we are not necessarily imputing the absence of that quality from others engaged in educational pursuits. Employment in Government service in Hongkong has, doubtless many advantages, but with that employment vanishes free and unfettered opinion, and we should certainly rub our eyes to read a report written by a Headmaster of a Government School that stated what he thought of local educational affairs, the direction of it, and the

Advisory adumbrations of a Board whose meetings are now described as ludicrous.

The Diocesan Boys School is not exactly a new institution; its Head is not exactly an infant in matters of education. These necessary facts being taken duly into account, anything in the way of comment and suggestion emanating from that particular source needs the attention it deserves.

There is an embarrassment of riches in this report that admits of no adequate reference in the brief space at our disposal. And the riches are not all directly—although indirectly, concerned with the ordinary question of education.

It would appear to us as we have previously emphasised, that the crying need at the moment is for the appointment of the right, trained, and technical expert, as Head of the Education Board. The fetish of Caletism in this particular matter has got to be slaughtered. The possession of a degree highly desirable as it may be, the ability to teach Greek at the University; to plead a cause in the Supreme Court, or direct the activities of the Sanitary Board, have nothing to do with the direction, control, and extension of educational matters. That cannot be denied. Given then the right man, the whole question, and system of Education, as we know it, or do not know it here, has got to be gone into, considered, and reorganised. There are men in the

Government's education service with minds of their own; and views of their own based on their own active experience, able to co-operate and advise on any scheme of reform, together with those who have not the seal of Government displeasure continually dangling before them.

In the matter of Government Grants the Headmaster of the Diocesan Boys' School says, the system of awarding them is antiquated and unfair. He backs that up with figures that are at least startling and not a little enlightening. He is either right or he is wrong, and his figures incorrect. This gauntlet of a genuine grievance thrown into the Education ring, should not be allowed to remain there. There seems no doubt that this particular system is antiquated and the need for reform made manifest.

The Board of Education's "ludicrous meetings" have not engendered "the respect due to an educational authority" and have certainly not furthered the cause of education. That has been obvious and earned the contempt of those fettered by the usual Government restrictions. The future existence of the Board may be in question. Puny and sickly from its birth, a weakling if ever there was one, it also needs the rejuvenating influence of experts. If the Board is not to legislate, let it be absolutely clear what its functions are, and let those who grace its table, understand what they have committed themselves to; but let us in such a supreme matter as education, make the most and the best of those well qualified to advise, and whose calling is not merely a question of earning a living, but moulding a destiny.

Weak in English.

It is easy to imagine that if more concentrated attention was given to the teaching of English—not merely to the theory of grammar, but to that and the speaking of the language—even to the sacrifice of other subjects—the way of Chinese scholars would be less hard than it is at the moment. We do not want it repeated, in the words of the Hon. Mr. Kotewall at the Gap Road prize distribution, "that a number of boys who... left school... could not speak nor write English very well." We need not labour the point. The matter will doubtless receive the attention of that technical and qualified Head of the Education Department, when the Government appoint him. It has remained for Mr. Kotewall to offer an incense in the shape of a scholarship to the boy at this particular school who excels in English subjects, and the policy, if it is considered a wise one, might very well be adopted by those enabled to offer this encouragement because they desire to see an advance made by Chinese in the written and spoken language. This particular scholarship should be all the more valuable coming as it does from Mr. Kotewall who is himself a living example of the benefits—and not merely benefits, but enjoyments, to be gained from a true knowledge of English and English literature. Mr. Kotewall is one of the few of the Colony's public men who buy and read books, and gain a corresponding benefit therefrom as only true lovers of books know—for an acquaintance with books that matter reveals itself in the spoken and written utterance, and in an appreciation of the unnumbered forces that go to make life worth living. Apart from natural and physical disabilities it should not be possible to say of any Chinese scholar diligently prosecuting his studies at any of the Colony's schools that he is "weak in English."

Sidewalks.

Are we coming to a state of existence in Hongkong when it will become necessary to have moving staircases and raised footwalks? Thanks to the past services of the P.W.D., the pedestrian daily walks in danger of his life, or becoming limbless, for, practically there are no footwalks for him to walk on; and motor cars pass him in the street abutting his calves by a veritable hair's breadth. The Chinese we are told have no traffic sense. And we think they are not to blame. The only decent sidewalks are to be found near the Naval Yard—for the rest they are but ghosts of their dead selves, or practically do not exist. Failing the provision of motor cars or motor cycles for each of us—and as we are not all Government Servants we cannot see these eventualities, it is up to the Government to provide for the humble and patient pedestrian. If the making of new

roads, or the widening of present ones is not to include pavements wide enough for him to walk upon is there any reason why there should not be tiers of raised walks—say two in height. The newest type of garage is built on the storey principle. It saves land area, and enables a large number of cars to be stored without difficulty. The cars simply glide to the floor allotted to them. Are these raised sidewalks a possibility, or are we to look forward to an overhead tramway in the near future; or is it to be a subway? If the latter it is a pity that the P.W.D. did not complete the job—or commence it, in their recent upheaval of Queen's Road.

Carried un-
CHARIVARIA. animously:
woollen undies.

"What is the difference between the ordinary man and a politician?" we are asked. We are not quite sure. In some cases it is £400 per annum.

An American Doctor says it is injurious to lie on both sides. Not always though, say some of our Ice House Street friends.

"Our Police are the politest in the world," according to a writer. In spite of their penchant for pinching people.

"Things are not what they used to be," laments our favourite paper. But were they ever?

A Doctor claims to have effected cures in various illnesses by making the patient inhale the odour of a goat. We should very much like to present him with several of our Hongkong markets.

"Perfume has supplied the plot of many dramas," we are told. Is this why certain superior people sniff at them?

The "Yellow Dragon" College's bright little magazine, quotes this piece of honesty:

In the Junior Local Examination one unfortunate candidate wrote only three lines of dictation and then put down: "Dear Examiner, I am very sorry but I cannot understand Mr. X's pronunciation. Yours respectfully, 'Y.Z.'"

Someone asked Japanese Honen Shonin, "What shall I do to keep myself from sleeping while I pray?" "Pray ceaselessly," answered the holy man, "while you are awake."

The same rose bears the flower and thorn; one root is theirs.

To be under a raised sword is hell, but charge with it and you will find heaven too.

It is still water, not running, which reflects objects, and it is the calm heart which reflects our reasons while the disturbed heart cannot.

There is an old saying that all misfortunes come, not from Heaven, but from the mouth. The man who is careful what he says incurs little misfortune, even as the man who is careful what he eats and drinks can keep away sickness.

Our Art Societies hold out prospects of doing the world a service. The A. D. C. for instance, may give us another Irving in the realms of tragedy, or a Hawtrey in that of comedy; say nothing of finding another Pincro or Barrie. Similarly the Phil. may blossom from its ranks another Caruso or a peach of a Melba; or a composer to vie with Chopin, or Elgar. Our Art Club also may give the world another Orpen or a Whistler. In all these cases we use the word "may." It seems necessary in the circumstances.

In appointing a permanent and paid Secretary for the Golf Club, enthusiasts will agree that the Committee has done the right thing. What is also wanted is a permanent and paid instructor. There should be found someone able to do this work during certain hours of the day. The fees from would-be Vardons should help to pay his salary.

ADVICE. (Queen's College) for January is again up to standard. We give ourselves the pleasure to quote part of the Editorial commending it as a cheery piece of writing and advice:

Whether we admit it or not, and whether we are superstitious or not, most of us are wondering what 1924 has in store for us. About this time of year, man, and especially young man, is of a hopeful and expectant disposition and trusts that good fortune will attend him throughout the coming months. We are certainly in this frame of mind about ourselves. The first thing the schoolboy

should realise is that if he wishes to enjoy 1924 and make it a successful year, he must have the necessary health. Far too many of our Chinese school boys are muddy-faced and bloodless looking, and all too frequently are turned down by the doctors when applying for certain posts. Most of those have themselves to blame. So our advice to every boy, whether healthy looking or weak looking, is to get plenty of fresh air, plenty, but not an excessive amount, of exercise, and plenty of sleep. The healthy student has a clearer brain and can do better work than he who remains indoors all the time—he is also a more useful citizen and a greater asset to his country. So all you pale faces in Queen's—and you are many—get out to the hills during the Chinese New Year Vacation, fill your lungs with the pure healthgiving atmosphere found on the heights, feast your eyes on the marvels and beauties of nature, become acquainted with the peaks and valleys of the island and of the mainland, and come back to work in a healthy state. Fresh air, clean water, exercise, and sleep are the best as well as the cheapest medicines.

It is a wonderful WORK. British Universities Committee is

accomplishing in helping to meet the countless tragic needs of their fellow students in the various European centres of learning. During the last three years some 20,000 books have been sent to a number of universities, as well as many gifts of food, fuel, clothing, books and instruments to individuals. Still, the situation almost beggars description, and a campaign is now being organised to raise a minimum of £5,000 for further relief. One writer on this subject has declared that if the youth of the world can be won to such a task of co-operation, mutual understanding, and mutual respect, there is hope for the future. And in this statement is much truth.

Further examples of BESS. Queen Elizabeth's acidity are given below:—
To the King of France in 1577 she said:—

"Whoever may pretend to make justifiable war against me will have but small reason, seeing that I govern an empire and am invested with a crown granted to me by the late King my father. I do not demand the rights of others. I rule in justice. I maintain my subjects in peace. I fear no other princes. I trust in God, who is the author of justice and who will defend me against evil doers."

When the French king changed his religion and became a Catholic, she wrote:—

"Ah, what grief! Ah, what regret! Ah, what pangs have seized my head, at the news which Mr. Morlat has communicated. My God! it is possible that any worldly consideration could render you regardless of the divine displeasure? Can we reasonably expect any good result can follow such an inquiry? How could you imagine that He whose hand has supported and upheld your cause so long would fall you at your need? It is a perilous thing to do ill that good may come of it!"

Some of our table-rappers might spend some profitable time in getting in touch with the dear lady and enquire what she would say had she M. Poincaré to deal with!

To-day's Poem.

(Maha in the Dusk.)

"Where is it that these frail adventurers go,
That veer so lightly, with so brave a will,
So delicate and strange, that tremble so,
For all the dusk is windless now, and still?
Where is there left, in crashing worlds whose wake
Is strewn with shards of king-
doms shocked and tossed,
A place for things so frail as well might break
Their wings against a twilight, and be lost?"

"What kings of earth, no longer now renowned,
Have gazed at dusk, beyond such shapes as these,
To shadowy empires whence their arms were bound,
Blind to white moths game straying through the trees,
Nor thought how all the kingdoms they might cull
Were brief as these— and not so beautiful!"
—DAVID MORTON,
in Harper's Magazine.

WEATHER CALENDAR.

JANUARY 24.

1809. As I now sit in the painted room, I see positively nothing out of the window; the sea might be there, for aught I know to the contrary. All

this, however, don't keep folks at home; and Maria's levee is as usual frequented by all the usual visitors; they arrive cross as ten sticks, dripping, soaked through and shivering, in great coats and snow-shoes. —Lady Littleton.

THE ARTIST AND THE PUBLIC.

Whatever the public demand the artist will soon produce; and the best education which the operative can receive is the refusal of bad work and the acknowledgment of good. There is no want of genius among us, still less of industry. The least that we do is laborious, and the worst is wonderful. But there is a want among us, deep and wide, of discretion in directing toil, and of delight in being led by the imagination.

—RUSKIN.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised
In The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

January 24.—Coronet Theatre: Quincy Adams Sawyer.
January 24.—Star Theatre: The City of Silent Men.
January 24.—World Theatre: Two Kinds of Women.

SOCIAL.
January 25.—Burn's Night Dinner in the Hongkong Hotel, 8 p.m.
February 4.—Grand Chinese Carnival in the Hongkong Hotel Grill Rooms, 8-12 p.m.

LAND SALE.
January 28.—At P.W.D. Offices, one lot of Crown land at Conduit Road, at 3 p.m.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.
January 24.—Lammert Bros., at their Sales Rooms, a valuable collection of postage stamps, 5.15 p.m.

January 25.—Lammert Bros., at their Sales Rooms, a fine collection of Chinese Curios, 2.30 p.m.

January 28.—Lammert Bros., at Godown, No. 18, The H.K. Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, Miscellaneous Goods, 10.30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

CAMPANY MEETINGS.
January 28.—Twenty-third ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong Land Reclamation Co., Ltd., at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Co., Ltd., 11 a.m.
January 28.—Thirty-sixth ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd., at Messrs. Jardine Matheson's Offices, 11.15 a.m.

February 1.—One-hundred and fourth ordinary meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong-Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., at the Offices of the Company, Noon.
February 2.—Fifth ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders of the Bank of East Asia, Ltd., at the registered office of the Company, No. 10, Des Voeux Road Central, 3 p.m.

OTHER MEETING.
February 4.—General Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club in the Hongkong Club Annex, 5 p.m.

EXHIBITION.
January 23-29.—Exhibition of paintings at the City Hall.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Lighting-up-time to-day is at 6.05 p.m.

T. T. exchange on London is 2/4; on Shanghai 70 3/4.

The first prize of \$20,000 in the Macao lottery is said to have come to Hongkong.

Sir Claud Severn is to distribute the prizes at St. Paul's College on Saturday, January 26.

Lieut. R. R. Beauchamp will lecture to children on "Flags" at the Helena May Institute tomorrow, Friday, January 25, at 5.30.—Advt.

SMALL-POX SPREADS.

BREAKS OUT AT RIVER PORTS.

KONGMOON, January 22.

An epidemic of small-pox has broken out at Kongmoon and San Wai, claiming many victims. Fung Shiu-ming, the new Admiral, arrived to-day. All Chinese gunboats have dressed ship in his honour. Chan Chak is being profusely entertained prior to leaving.

The "Hoi Sang" is still here. She needs to be pumped and repaired before she can be moved. Damage to the cargo (rice and flour) is assessed at \$10,000.

In connection with the piracy of the "Tai Lee," it is learnt here, in addition to the China Mail report, that most of those kidnapped were emigrants returned from the U.S.A. One pirate is said to have been killed in the confusion.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Eleven fresh cases of small-pox were reported yesterday.

The "Do Be Chairful" Company, 51 Queen's Road Central, are offering to the Public a select quantity of Drawnwork, Laces, Peking Crystal Necklaces, etc. etc., at Actual Cost Prices.

School prize distributions are to take place at the L.M.S. Ying Wa Girl's School on Friday next (Lady Stubbs distributing) and at the Sacred Heart English School (Mr. G. P. de Martin, distributing).

Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., agents for Hongkong and Canton for the Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Co., Ltd., (total assets £20,000,000), send a wall calendar in panel form illustrating a river scene in the Chinese style of art.

The coxswain of one of the new Yaumati ferry launches the "Man Tat" was fined \$100 at the Marine Court to-day for carrying 123 passengers too many. His excuse was that one of the other launches was out of order and all the passengers from it came on to his launch.

Mr. E. Ralphs, Secretary to the Hongkong Board of Examiners, Royal Sanitary Institute, informs the China Mail that at an examination in "Tropical Hygiene for Sanitary Inspectors," held in London in December 7th and 8th, 1923, three candidates presented themselves and two were successful, one being Mr. Harry Edward Strange, Sanitary Inspector, Hongkong, who has been awarded the Certificate accordingly.

Later Reuter cables report that Mr. Lenin died at Gorky. His body will be transported to Moscow on Wednesday and will lie in State until Saturday, when the funeral will take place. The burial will be at the Kremlin wall alongside the grave of M. Sverdloff. Death was due to paralysis of the respiratory organs. The Government, in a bulletin, says it will continue to carry out Lenin's work, expressing the will of the workers and peasants.

It is stated that a new general insurance Company has been registered in Hongkong under the name of the China Underwriters, Ltd. The nominal capital of the new Company is \$5,000,000, divided into 500,000 shares of \$10 each, the issued capital being \$2,500,000, comprising 250,000 of \$10 each. The members of the Consulting Committee of the new Company are Messrs. A. Cameron, C. B. Brooke, C. A. de Rosa, J. Scott, Harston, Li Tse-fong, Mok Ching-kong, Tsang Foo and R. Shewan. The managers are Messrs. Shewan, Shewan, Tomes and Co., and the Secretary is Mr. R. Farrant.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The China Mail regrets to learn that Miss Ferguson, Headmistress of the Diocesan Girls' School, is ill in Hospital.

PARTING.

Unto the satiate
All gifts wax poor.
Unconfined in bars
Gratitude soars.
To you I send some dried lychees,
In gratitude—
You made me pass the summer's heat,
Not in solitude.
Driftwood on the stormy sea of life,
I float away.
The old year flies, I wish you now
A Happy New Year,
To you and all near you at home
Who hold you dear.
A merry year, a fairy year,
A year of sunshine, weather clear,
A prosperous year, a wealthy year,
A longer life, a healthier.

—CHUAN.

CORRESPONDENCE.
HELPING PIRATES.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir,—I notice in the various letters of advice to the newspapers criticising the Piracy Regulations, etc., no mention has been made as to how these Regulations have been observed by those on board. I maintain that the Piracy Regulations of 1914 are well thought out and cover practically all the ground necessary to obviate the pirates having such an easy job as they seem to have had lately. We of course recognize it is the "surprise element" that is the point.

Rule 54 of the Piracy Regulations reads: "Ships proceeding up any part of the Canton River or Estuary or its tributaries or mouths shall at night-time accompany each other as much as possible between Hongkong and Wampoa or Boca Tigris and remain within easy signalling distance of one another. The hours of departure from Hongkong of any ships so proceeding shall be subject to the approval of the Capt. Supt. of the Police."

This rule is not observed, the faster steamers (Kongmoon steamers) leave Hongkong at 7 p.m. / rising ahead, and for what? They cannot enter Kongmoon before 6.30 a.m. in the winter months and 6 a.m. in the summer months and by that time it is daylight. If there was a business object in thus rushing ahead one could understand it but the slower steamers can make the port at the hour mentioned and they even having 2 of the month (according to the tides) to slow down to "fill time" so as not to be at the port too early.

If the faster steamers kept near the slower ones they would be a deterrent to the pirates as they would be able to send up distress signals also being able to run the boats down that were getting away with the loot.

I think if the pirates were on board and they saw another steamer in company that they would "put off" the job and wait (in their opinion) for a more favorable opportunity.

Leaving the wharf each European and guards should have their arms on their person and until the end of the voyage.

Why not! A false sense of "seeming scared" combined with a carelessness.

The grills closed and a personal interest taken in seeing all secure.

Ships on this run make three voyages a week. Week after week goes on and nothing happens tends to a carelessness which the pirates spies are quick to note. As has been shown a regular system is necessary and not the Piracy Regulations to blame.

In your issue of the 23rd I read: That Mr. Fletcher (then chief officer) when in the wheelhouse was requested for the key of his drawer where he had his revolver. Why hadn't he it on his person he being the officer of the watch?

One cannot blame the Piracy Regulations for a neglect like that. I maintain that a system of being armed from the time of leaving the wharf, a personal interest in seeing the grills properly secured and the faster steamers keeping together with the slower ones would "put the pirates off" as regards the Kongmoon steamers as they would be in receipt of the news from the spies they place out weeks before on the steamer they intend to pirate.

I am, Sir,
ONE WHO TRADES TO
KONGMOON.
Hongkong, January 24.

PAWNED, BANGLES.

FALSE PRETENCES CHARGE.

A very fashionably dressed Chinese young lady was represented by Mr. R. B. Nash in a case before Mr. G. N. Orme this morning in which four others were charged with false pretences. Mr. Nash's client with another woman and a man were defendants in one charge and the other two were accused in a separate case.

The police allege that the first defendant—the young lady—had pledged a pair of bangles consisting of English sovereigns linked up with chains for \$80; at one pawnshop. She was arrested while attempting to dispose of another pair at another pawnshop. It is claimed that the sovereigns were of the required fineness but that the chains were made of lead with a covering of the precious metal.

On the application of Mr. Corbett, for the prosecution, the case was remanded till Tuesday afternoon.

The man who was found shot in Longfield House, London Wall, E.C., has been identified as Mr. Charles George, son of Messrs. George and Company, a firm of survivors, whose offices are in the building.

BEFORE THE PUBLIC.



Hon. Arthur Ponsonby
Appointed Under Secretary
for Foreign Affairs in the New
Labour Ministry.

LIQUOR TREATY SIGNED.

SEVERE BLOW TO RUM
SMUGGLERS.3-MILE LIMIT EXTENDED.
(Reuter's American Service.)

WASHINGTON, January 23.
The Anglo-American liquor treaty was signed at the State Department to-day.

WASHINGTON, January 23.
Sir Auckland Geddes, the British Ambassador, and Mr. Hughes, the Secretary of State, signed the liquor treaty, which, however, requires the ratification of the Senate. The Treaty is terminable at three months' notice after twelve months. One clause provides that if owing to a judicial decision or legislative action the terms are modified the whole treaty shall be abrogated.

Provision is also made for a joint commission to settle claims of compensation where a British vessel suffers loss or injury through any unreasonable or improper exercise of the rights conferred by the treaty.

TAMPICO BLOCKADE.

ENTIRE REBEL LINE
COLLAPSES.

WASHINGTON, January 23.
The Mexican revolutionary leaders have informed the United States' Consul at Vera Cruz that they have decided to raise the blockade at Tampico.

WASHINGTON, January 23.
The Mexican Embassy has been officially advised that the entire rebel line on the Jalisco front has collapsed.

ARCTIC REGIONS.
CANADA CLAIMS VAST
AREAS.

WATCHING AMERICA.

WASHINGTON, January 23.
A message from Ottawa states that the Government has requested the British Embassy at Washington to keep it fully posted regarding the United States' plans for the airship trip to the Arctic where Canada claims vast areas by reason of adjacency and exploration.

KILLED IN STORM.

WASHINGTON, January 23.
The United States' Consul at Vera Cruz reports that Captain Sparlow and two wireless operators on the cruiser "Tacoma" were accidentally killed while performing their duties during the storm.

HIGHER WAGES.

NEW YORK, January 23.
The Central Railway Lines have agreed to raise the wages of 15,000 engineers and firemen by approximately five per cent.

GOLF.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 23.
Havers and Ockenden defeated the local professionals Nagle and Novak by five to four over 36 holes.

"BILLITON LIMITED."

(Reuter's General Service.)

THE HAGUE, January 23.
The Government proposes to introduce a bill into Parliament for the promotion of a combined mining company to be known as "Billiton Limited," and to carry on the mining business of the existing Billiton Company whose concession expires on April 30, 1927. The Government will have the predominant interest in the new company.

NEW YEAR LENIENCY.

FARMERS WHO WERE NOT
PROFESSORS.

"You are not professors in your work. I find you guilty but as the Chinese New Year is approaching I will not send you to jail, so don't do it again," remarked Mr. G. N. Orme to a Chinese man and boy this morning. They appeared before His Worship, charged by Detective Sub-Inspector Cotton with false pretences in that they attempted to palm off a roll of cash for a roll of Canton twenty-cent pieces.

According to the prosecution, defendants had gone into a money-changer's shop and asked that \$22 in Hongkong notes be changed into Chinese silver coins. They were given something over \$27. After walking a few paces from the counter, the man is alleged to have returned and handed back one roll purporting to contain \$10, for it to be exchanged back into Hongkong notes. Smelling a rat, the master opened the roll, which looked exactly like his own, but found that it contained cash.

Defendants claimed that they were farmers who had just sold their produce in the Colony and as Hongkong currency was of no use to them they got it changed. Their claim was that the roll of cash was given to them at the shop and they knew nothing about it. His Worship made the remarks as stated, and ordered the defendants to sign a personal bond of \$100 each to be of good behaviour for a month. The silver coins and cash will be returned to them.

BRITISH JUSTICE.

"UPRIGHT AND BRIGHT."
Outside the Court a relative approached the *China Mail* man and enquired Mr. Orme's "deep insight into defendant's hearts." Quoting the classics he said that it was no wonder that British justice had earned fame everywhere in China. "It was upright and honourable," the four characters which signify this being emblazoned on the Emperor's throne at Peking and "an injustice as deep as the sea" had been averted.

"DISTINGUISHED TIGER"

AT AN EMPEROR'S
PAVILION.

Sponsored by the "Distinguished Tiger Clique," a Chinese youth is alleged to have demanded with menace, a sum of \$2,000 from the master of the Tung Cheong beef-stall, Central Market.

In November last the prosecution claims, defendant took

delivery of a cut of beef without waiting for it to be weighed out to him. This began the trouble which culminated in complainant receiving a letter demanding \$2,000 to be paid to a man with an ivory cigarette holder and a white silk handkerchief at the Sung Emperor's Pavilion, Kowloon city.

Mr. R.E.A. Webster appeared to support the charge before Mr. G. N. Orme yesterday, and Mr. D. McCallum defended.

After evidence had been taken the case was remanded.

MINUS THE EARS.

DEAD CHINESE CHILD
FOUND

APPEASING AN ANGRY GOD.

With a cut on the head and minus its ears, the dead body of a Chinese child was found by the police on the Chin Wan Road on the mainland yesterday. On examination it was found that the infant was about six months old and the mutilation had been wrought after death. The body was removed to the Kowloon Mortuary.

[A similar instance was recorded a month or two ago in the same locality. It appears that some of the people who live on the outskirts of the Kowloon peninsula, mostly *Hakkas*, i.e., Nomads, have a superstition that such an act would appease the offended deity who saw fit to deprive them of one of their offspring. The mutilation is a sort of intelligent anticipation that any future visitation following the wrath of the same deity would have been satisfied by the "punishment" beforehand.—Ed. *China Mail*]

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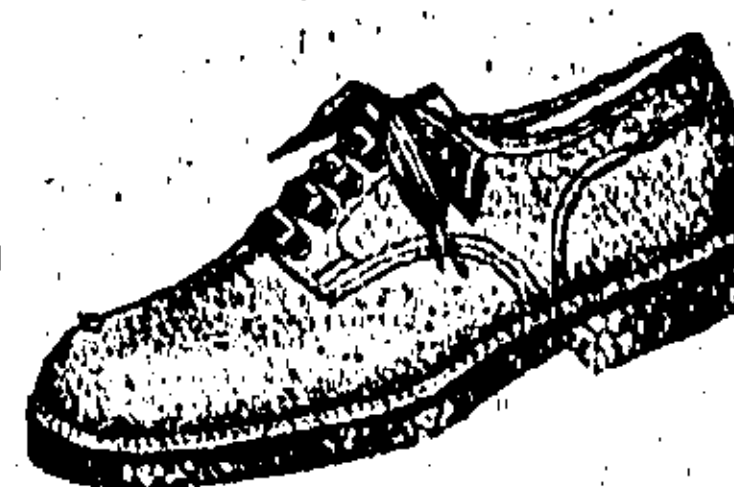
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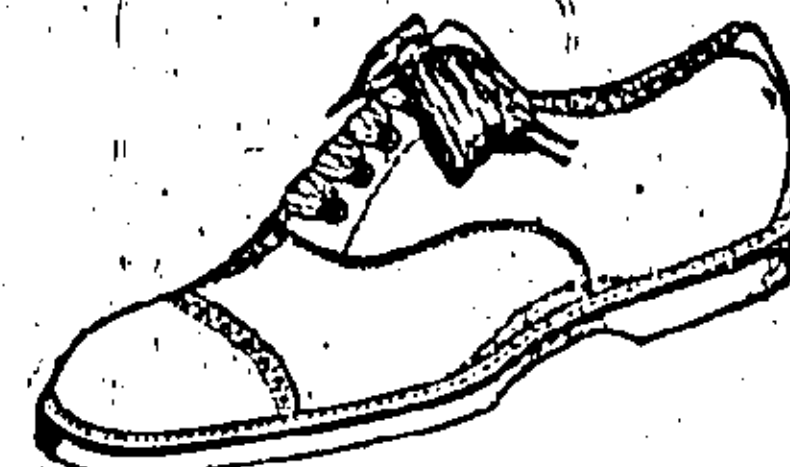
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D16 SOBBIN' BLUES " " "
D29 BIT BY BIT... " " "
D29 SLEEP " " "
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CHEFOO GOSSIP.

THEFT FROM ST. PETER'S CHURCH

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

January 14, 1934.

The weather since I last wrote has been about perfect, in fact rather too perfect for the skating community, for although the rink has been completed for a number of days there has not been enough frost to form a sufficiently hard surface for skating. To-day there is a slight north-west blow on and this may mean a change to more wintry weather.

The rumour to the effect that the things stolen from St. Peter's Church were found in a Chinese pawn shop proved to be false, and hope for the recovery of the articles has been practically abandoned. Several members of the congregation however, have very generously come forward and promised to replace most of the things, and the rest that is needed will be purchased out of the Church funds. Divine Service was held in St. Peter's for the first time since the robbery yesterday evening.

On January 5 the Customs Club held their Annual Children's Xmas. Party, where a large number of Community children thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Mrs. Malcolm, the popular wife of our Port Doctor, acted as hostess, with Mr. Whitmore as host. The children were first entertained by a Chinese conjurer; but the excitement waxed strongest when Father Christmas, ably done by Mr. Towson, arrived on the scene with a "generous bagful of presents. The evening ended up with a Dance for the grown-ups, which continued well on into the wee small hours of next morning.

News has recently been received by Rev. and Mrs. McCrea, of the American Baptist Mission, of the marriage in the States of their second son, Walter.

The usual Universal Week of Prayer Meetings, in connection with the "World's Evangelical Alliance," were held during the week commencing January 7. Foreign Meetings were held every afternoon at 3 p.m., except on Wednesday, in the China Island Mission Prayer Room. On Wednesday afternoon there was a Union Chinese Meeting at the Chinese Independent Church.

The Children's Special Service Mission are holding holiday gatherings every afternoon from the 6th to the 20th, for the foreign children of the Port. These services were very popular last summer, when they were held on the beach, and are equally so now indoors, although the attendance is smaller owing to so many of the School children being away for their winter holidays.

On the 9th, a Chinese inn in the city was destroyed by fire, and damage done to a few of the neighbouring buildings. It is rumoured that there was a great loss of life among the live-stock, the insect kind so well known in China, in the inn, who were unable to escape rapidly enough.

On Saturday, the 12th, a reception was held at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. for Chinese ladies to welcome Miss Holmes, who has come here to commence work in connection with the Y.W.C.A.

Also on Saturday afternoon there was a Hockey Match between the C.I.M. Schools and the Settlement. Unfortunately the Settlement were unable to turn out a full side, but three of the schoolboys ably substituted for the missing ones. The game was rather one-sided, the Schools winning by 10 goals to 3.

Christmas carols were sung in the Royal Exchange on December 19 and 20 at 1.15 p.m. by Lloyd's Choir of 100 voices, assisted by the brass instruments of the London Fire Brigade band. There were no tickets or charge for admission.

CRICKET.

ARMY DEFEAT NAVY.

On the H.K.C.C. ground yesterday, the Army defeated the Navy in a cricket match, by the small margin of 7 runs. All four military bowlers were difficult to score off and runs came very slowly. The varied Naval trundling also prevented the Army side from hitting out but Q. M. S. Stripp distinguished himself by compiling 42. Scores:—

ROYAL NAVY.
Lieut.-Cdr. Jotham, c Walker, b Jacobs 0
Mid. Evans, run out 13
Lieut. Sharpe, c Stripp, b Rough 12
Lieut. D'Arcy Evans, b Jacobs 2
Inst.-Lt. Ableson, l.b.w. Jacobs 6
Rev. Father Purcell, c Stripe, b Walker 14
Pay-Lieut. Hargreaves, b Rowe 19
Sub-Lieut. Wallis, b Walker 2
Lieut. Besant, c and b Rowe 0
Surg.-Lieut. Promfret, not out 0
Lieut. Gould, c and b Walker 9
Extras 9

Total 77

Bowling Analysis.

Rough 0 M. R. W.
Jacobs 13 0 29 3
Walker 8 5 13 3
Rowe 3 2 5 2

ARMY.

Capt. Kent, c Jotham, b Hargreaves 3
Lieut. Armstrong, c and b Hargreaves 0
Capt. Dods, b Hargreaves 5
Q.M.S. Fritz, b Hargreaves 7
Lieut. Allfree, c Wallis, b Hargreaves 10
Major Hattersley-Smith, c Jotham, b Hargreaves 9
Capt. Walker, b Promfret 0
Q.M.S. Stripp, b Mid. Evans 42
Major Rowe, c Besant, b Promfret 0
Mstr.-Gnr. Rough, not out 2
Q.M.S. Jacobs, b Mid. Evans 0
Extras 7

Total 85

Bowling Analysis.

Hargreaves 12 4 33 6
Promfret 16 7 22 2
Besant 3 1 6 0
Gould 1 0 1 0
Evans 6 1 1 0

THE CORONET.

"QUINCY ADAMS SAWYER"

The filmplay "Quincy Adams Sawyer," aptly dubbed a "melodrama mixed with humour," is proving a big draw at the Coronet this week. The story is an exceptionally attractive one, and a star cast, the like of which is seldom seen in pictures, makes of the play a first-class evening's entertainment.

"One Exciting Night," the Griffith's mystery film, about which such an air of secrecy has been preserved, is the next picture announced. The picture is said to be a departure from Griffith's ordinary style, but is turned out with all his famous ability.

"ONE EXCITING NIGHT."

To-day is the last day of the rural melodrama, "Quincy Adams Sawyer," at the Coronet. The next attraction is "One Exciting Night," the latest production of D. W. Griffith.

Mystery, deep, dark, and inscrutable, surrounds the showing of this picture. All that is certain is that the plot is concerned with a detective story, but so strong is the mystery that surrounds the film, that no account of its narrative is vouchsafed. It is admitted, however, that there is a "big" scene, in Griffith's best style. It is also known that Carol Dempster is the heroine. Outside of that, all the public need do is to go and see the guaranteed picture. Mr. Griffith's name is enough.

COMMERCIAL NOTES.

YARN MARKET.

Messrs. Polishwalla and Kotwall, Cotton and Yarn Brokers, report as follows:—

In the early part of the interval our market remained fairly firm and an advance of \$5 to \$7 per bale was established. The business that transpired, however, was confined solely to Yunnan, and cannot be said to have been on an extensive scale. Shanghai yarn was also dealt in to a fair extent, successfully competing with Indian owing to its comparative cheapness.

"Twelves" appear to have again gone out of favour, only a few bales changing hands in the period covered by the present report.

At the close, owing to the steady decline of American cotton, there is a tendency towards lower levels both in Bombay and here.

Total Sales 2,500 bales.

Unsold stocks 8,000 bales.

Bargains in Chinese hands, 3,000 bales.

Shanghai:—This market reports a fair business with small advances here and there.

Japanese Yarn:—A small business only, owing to quotations being too high.

Quotations:—300 Bales Nagasaki No. 20s at \$27.2/27.5; 3 Horses No. 16s at \$25; No. 20s at \$26.2; 500 Bales Yellow Joss No. 20s at \$26.0/26.5; 100 Bales Seta No. 10s at \$23.5; No. 20s at \$27; Blue Fish No. 20s at \$27.8.

Raw Cotton:—Bengal, sales, 200 bales at \$61 to 63 per picul.

Quotations:—Bengal \$59 to 63 per picul. Chinese \$62 to 67 per picul.

THE STAR.

"CITY OF SILENT MEN."

When Thomas Meighan's name is mentioned in connection with a film production, it may be certain that some good acting will be seen. Mr. Meighan is one of those artists whose work is always quietly effective, and he has the extreme good fortune to always appear to get a good story to interpret.

The narrative of "The City of Silent Men" is full of interesting developments. It deals with the experiences of a man who is unjustly imprisoned, and his escape from Sing Sing, the famous New York prison. From then on there are a number of exciting incidents. The bare outline sounds trite enough, but the way in which it is presented shows the difference between the production of a first class picture, and the general run of "mere films."

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The sparks of hope within my breast, as I view the woeful mart
Of Earth's protracted chaos, of man-created woes,
Of narrow national bigotries; and the face of Earth morose,
Torn by falsehood's treacherous fangs, and by its scathing tongue,

Yet I hope on, for falsehood dies, but Truth is ever young;
And Truth o'er falsehood ever triumphs, and it will even now;
And if it will not triumph, then I to Fate shall bow,
And with the rest of fellowmen, Life's fruits shall ever share;

For Truth is young for ever, and with Truth I all can dare.
Therefore play on this game of life, for ever making sure
That "Good and Truth's behind them, for they for aye endure.
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Congratulations were extended to the Diocesan Boys' School at their annual Speech Day on Tuesday by the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kottewall, an Old Boy, who was the distinguished guest. The proceedings were presided over by the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Victoria (Dr. Duppuy) and among the visitors were many parents and friends of the students.

After various reports had been given by the students on different branches of the school's activities, the Hon. Mr. Kottewall was called upon to give his speech.

He said that Mr. Featherstone could not have assigned him a more agreeable task than that of addressing his old School, and he was exceedingly grateful to him for the opportunity. His pleasure was increased by the presence of the Inspector of English Schools, Mr. Ralphs, who taught him in the School, and to whom, as to their late Headmaster, Mr. George Piercy, he owed more than he could properly express.

"We have listened with intense interest to the extracts which the Headmaster has read from his report," went on the Hon. Mr. Kottewall, "and I am sure that we have all been struck by the extraordinary record of successes. It is a record of which any school might be proud, and I heartily congratulate Mr. Featherstone, his able staff, and the boys on the results, which represent no small amount of labour and sacrifice on the part of all."

He had been very much impressed with the speeches of the four young fellows; their delivery was good, and the language used, well chosen. Public speaking should, he thought, receive greater encouragement in schools in Hongkong than it did at present. After all, a language is what they speak as well as what they write; and a man was generally judged, and quite properly, by the style of his speech. He did not for a moment suggest that every school-boy should blossom out into an orator, but he should certainly be able to express himself with ease and lucidity on his feet.

"The Headmaster has kindly allowed me to see beforehand his report which contains one or two points I wish to comment upon," continued the speaker. "Chinese," he says, "that the results were very poor. I understand that the majority of the boys in this School are Chinese and Eurasians, and there can be no doubt that all of them should have a good grounding in the Chinese language. A man cannot be considered educated, however high his foreign attainments, if he is incapable of expressing himself properly in his mother tongue, and is ignorant of the literature of his own country. And such a man is certainly at a great disadvantage in the ordinary pursuit of life not only in his native land, but wherever he goes. I would therefore urge all boys to

pay special attention to their own language and literature."

The Hon. Mr. Kottewall said he was very pleased to hear that the successes of the School were due, among other things, to the introduction of more English teachers in the lower classes, and to teachers taking special subjects in several classes instead of taking one class in all subjects. These changes were steps in the right direction, and should show yet better results as the years pass.

"Our young friend, Peter Pau, has given us a very clear account of the scheme for a new school building to be erected in Kowloon. From this account I gathered that the School is still short of about \$150,000 for the purpose, if it is to proceed with its full programme of work. I wish to take this opportunity to appeal for financial assistance to all those who have the interests of the School at heart—to the parents of Old Boys and present pupils, to the Old Boys themselves, and to those who believe that the school is doing good work. In view of its splendid record I am sure that I need only point out this shortage for the desired help be forthcoming."

Let me now say a few words to the boys, especially to those who are about to leave School, to become old boys like myself," added the Hon. gentleman. "I wish to share with them the experience I have gained since I left School in 1895, first as an employee, and afterwards as an employer. To my mind, the most essential qualities for success, besides character, are thoroughness, and doing things to a finish. Boys, some of you may think these attributes of small importance, but my experience has taught me otherwise. If you work by the clock, if you measure your work by the amount of salary you receive, if you perform your task in a sloven, slipshod manner, or even if you simply make it 'good enough,' you will assuredly be outdistanced by those who do their level best in everything they undertake, big or small, and see it through in spite of difficulties and obstacles, and the allurements of ease and pleasure. (Applause.) Some one wisely says, 'Faithful performance of small duties is the only preparation for grand services.' Another person, no less sagacious, once said, 'How you start is very important, but it is more important how you finish up.' My young friends, profit by these two wise sayings, and you will soon find that in their application lies the difference between failure and success."

"Ladies and gentlemen," concluded the Hon. Mr. Kottewall, "may I once more express the great pleasure I feel in coming to address my dear old School to-day, and in finding it stronger than ever, with marked improvements and progress made in every direction, especially during the years when its esteemed Headmaster, Mr. Featherstone, has been guiding its destiny. (Applause.) I wish the Old Diocesan continued success. (Loud and prolonged applause.)"

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To reach this wonder city, built entirely of sandstone blocks laid without mortar, the traveller takes a palatial French Mail Steamer to Saigon and then starts on a journey inland which gradually prepares one for what is to come. A river steamer up the beautiful tropical river the Mekong, with its clumps of floating lilies, lands one after two nights and a day in the extraordinary Cambodian capital, Phnom Penh with its gilt spired roofs, and the palace temple with a floor of real silver and golden and jade Buddhas. After leaving Phnom Penh one comes to the Great Lake and then sampans through a submerged forest up the Siom Reap River. It is decidedly eerie to see nothing but tree tops sticking out of the water, the pompous looking pelican placidly swimming by and crocodiles basking in the sun. Landing at last one is pleased to find a Ford replacing the old-time oxcart or noraglette for the last lap of the way, most of it by the side of a palm bordered stream with many waterwheels. At last the towers of the mighty temple appear above the trees, one enters the unobtrusive, but comfortable hangarow erected by the French Government in 1909 and after a much needed tea proceed at once to explore Angkor Wat, the temple opposite.

As at the Taj one is conscious of the studied effect of the approach first along a 13-yard wide 'naga' bordered, paved causeway across the 200-yd. wide moat to the entrance pile, then along the 500-yd. raised causeway through the park, where peaceful cattle (buffaloes and bullocks) graze, and which contains the elephant pool, and two small buildings, possibly libraries, to the steps of the great Western entrance. This takes one to rectangular vaulted galleries, ornamented with the most amazing carving in low relief—a battle between men and monkeys, the churning of the sea of milk, the doings in the Brahminical Heaven and Hell, scenes from the Ramayana and from ancient Cambodian history. More than half a mile of it, the area covered is in fact more than 2,000 sq. yds., yet there is no repetition! Sometimes one is reminded of Greek work, sometimes of Egyptian, but the extraordinary variety, the vigorous movement, the crowded figures—gods, men, animals—form a whole, which is without a parallel. Every part of the outer wall has its elaborately designed conventional ornament, while at frequent intervals occur dancing girls of most unnatural litherness or more rarely ascetics. Just below the fluted roof gods leap from the backs of various animals. Window spaces are filled with carved stone pillars. As in our own cathedrals, one is awe-struck at the prodigality of the carving, the careful, detailed workmanship in inconspicuous places, the creative joy of the artisan so sadly lacking in modern buildings.

Within the court are more lawns, but direct from the entrance one ascends more steps to a smaller court containing four bathing pools, which furnish superb reflections of the surrounding colonades and galleries. Here and there are seen the yellow robed Buddhist monks, who have taken possession of this Brahmin shrine. The sound of their chanting echoing through the galleries seems fitting; if Hinduism has passed from Cambodia it is well that Angkor Wat is still a place of prayer.

One ascends still further to the second court with its ogival towers and then the glory of the innermost sanctuary with its amazing solidity and its five towers shaped like lotus buds bursts on one. Twelve rows of forty steps each looking narrower and more precipitous than the last lead to this, the supreme shrine. From this, third story, 250ft above the foundations, the splendid simplicity and grand proportions of the architect's design, a veritable triumph of symmetry, are apparent even to the thoughtless.

Less impressive than this perfect temple but much more extraordinary is Bayon, the Hide-and-Seek Palace, a pyramid-like building of four courses one above the other, with a maze of towers, each with enormous faces ten feet high of very varying expression. Rooms and passages are so small that Bayon can hardly have been of much practical use. It is the fantastic dream of a king embodied in stone by the hands of an artist.

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The city of Angkor Thom is of earlier workmanship than the temple and was the seat of the Khmer kings from the ninth to the fourteenth centuries. The city is built as a square, each side nearly two miles long. Long vistas appear as one passes through the doorways, disturbing the only present day inhabitants, the bats. The most bizarre feature of this city is the form of the five gateways, each surmounted by four enormous faces of Brahma, so placed that one is always seen full face and two in profile.

In front of the 'Gate of Victory' are on each side rows of stone giants, 6ft high, holding the sacred hooded serpent, the seven-headed 'naga,' which with the sacred bird, the garuda, and the lion reappear everywhere. The French have done much excavating, cutting roads, and in clearing away the jungle from the ruins. In several places, trees embroiled in stone by the hands of an artist.

the walls and to uproot them would be to destroy everything. Notably is this the case in the erection, held together by a noble tree, in the centre of a great bathing pool, surrounded by four others into which water flowed through the open mouths of stone heads representing a woman, an elephant, an ox and a dragon respectively.

There is a huge artificial lake, the Barai, various smaller temples, a terrace resting on three-headed elephants, the 'Terrace of Honour' showing elephants fighting against all sorts of savage beasts, and innumerable other remains scattered over many miles. These can be explored by the indefatigable with the assistance of the first rate official guide.

Even the most hurried, however, should on no account miss an elephant ride round Angkor Wat and one up the temple-crowned hill, Phnom Bakheng, which gives a panorama of the whole in its true setting of dense tropical vegetation. Such is a brief account of the supreme monument of Hindu architecture, marvellous alike in conception and execution.

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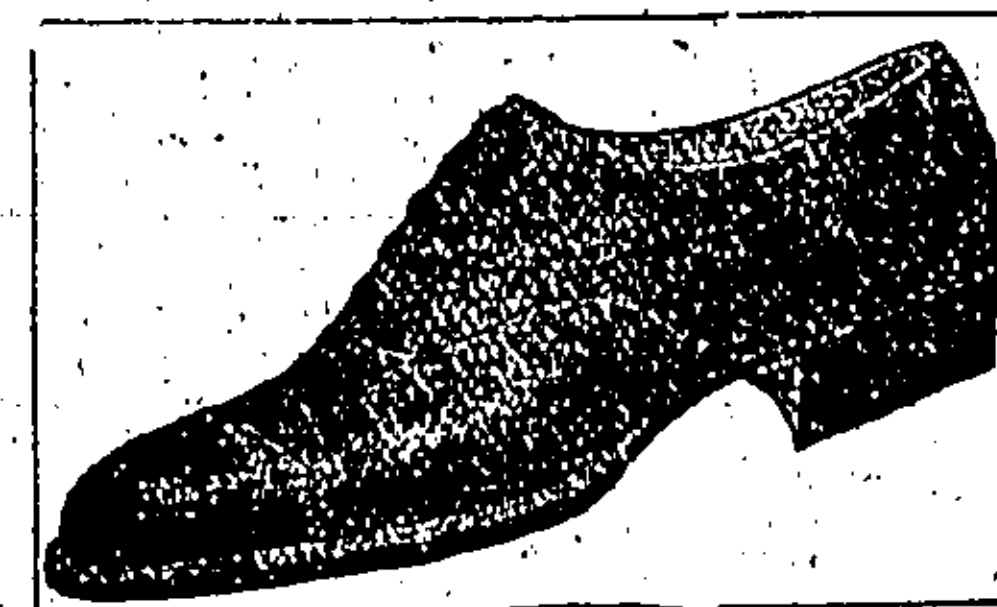
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THIS MORNING'S INTERESTING CEREMONY.

"On some autumn or summer evening, I can feel myself going to the sideboard and taking out of this box a cigar which I shall smoke ceremoniously on the altar of old acquaintance," said the Hon. Mr. E.A. Irving, Director of Education, in acknowledging the gift of a handsome silver cigar box presented by Mr. A. Morris, Headmaster of Saiyingpun School on behalf of the school at the annual prize distribution this morning.

The cigar box for the Hon. Mr. Irving and a brooch for Mrs. Irving were accompanied by an inscription written in copperplate handwriting by a student of the school stating:

"Presented to the Hon. Mr. E.A. Irving, Director of Education, on the occasion of his retirement from Government service as a mark of appreciation and esteem for the great interest he has always manifested in this school—From the staff and pupils of the Saiyingpun School."

This presentation was one of the happiest features of this morning's affair. The school was gaily decorated for the occasion and distinguished by the presence of many visitors including Messrs. J.S. Mackintosh, E. Ralphs, U. Rumbold, R. de Martin, R.A.D. Forrest, Dr. T.W. Pearce and the Rev. Copley Moyle.

After Mr. Morris had presented his report on the school's activities during the past year, the Hon. Mr. Irving was called upon to distribute the prizes.

Then Mr. Morris presented the farewell gift to the Director of Education.

Mr. Morris said:

"Days, prize givings are occasions of joy and rejoicing for most of us, but I have to sound a note of sincere regret to-day."

"Mr. Irving, our Director of Education, the gentleman who has just given you your well merited prizes will not preside on any of our future 'Speech Days'."

"Last year we were honored with the presence of Mrs. Irving who greeted our proceedings before leaving for home, and bidding the Colony farewell."

"Mr. Irving is leaving Hongkong soon, retiring from the Government service."

"For the last nineteen years I have known him as the head of our Education Department. He has watched with paternal care and solicitude our school grow, our efforts in the cause of education, and as you say in Chinese, 'has been a good friend of this school'."

"I take it as a great compliment to our school that he himself is here to-day, but at the same time I am sorry that he will not be here to see the inauguration of the new S.Y.P. school, in the details of which he has greatly interested himself."

"Shortly we have to wish him good-bye and God-speed."

"This parting time comes to each one of us. Before the year is out, some of you will have written your last exercise here, worked your last problem, passed your last examination."

"A few weeks ago, I said farewell to—3 of our senior boys—boys unmatched anywhere—and I am confident that those occasions are times of genuine regret to each one."

"In wishing you 'Adieu' Sir, be assured that you carry with you to England the good wishes of all of us—pupils and staff."

"To Mrs. Irving please convey our best wishes also."

"May God of His infinite goodness grant you long life, health, and happiness to enjoy with your family the years of your retirement in the Old Country."

"Now Sir, on behalf of our school, and as a souvenir of this occasion, I have to ask your acceptance of this souvenir."

"I will now read the address."

In responding, the Hon. Mr. Irving thanked the school for their gifts and complimented the school on its every satisfactory condition. When he looked back over a period of twenty-three years, he could not but marvel at the great changes wrought in the school. He distinctly remembered the first day he visited the school nineteen years ago. There were only three Chinese masters then, and the headmaster was Mr. Fung Foo who was now on pension and an example of the old proverb that pensioners were long lived and one who had set him a good example (Laughter).

Now, continued the Hon. Mr. Irving, there were 15 teachers in the school, six of whom were English. Mr. Morris had said there were only 14—well, his characteristic modesty—but he must have miscounted one (Laughter).

(Applause). In a few years, as soon as Mr. Morris had got into the new school, he would prophesy that Saiyingpun would become the most important in Hongkong's western district and the greatest practising school from here to Hankow, if not to Peking.

Concluding, the Hon. Mr. Irving thanked the school for the honour it had done him and regretted leaving. He hoped he would live long enough to see his prophecy fulfilled (Cheers).

Cheers were raised for the Hon. Mr. Irving, the visitors, donors of prizes and the popular headmaster. The report presented by Mr. Morris was as follows:

ATTENDANCE.

The average for the year under review was 99.47 and the percentage 97.7 which constitutes a record.

One hundred and forty-eight, or five-twelfths of the whole school made full attendance, and following the practice of previous years silver badges recording the fact will be presented.

This is made possible through the generosity of our many friends. In addition to the foregoing there are twenty who have made perfect attendance from the date of their admission.

All cannot hope to carry off a scholarship or win a class prize, but an attendance medal comes within the reach of each student. Regularity is the sine qua non of progress.

The school has remained full throughout the year and large numbers—hundreds in fact—have been refused admission through the limited accommodation of our present building.

We look forward hopefully to the opening of our new school, the foundations of which are approaching completion.

STAFF.

There have been a number of changes in the staff.

Mr. Hamilton went on leave in February last, his place being taken by Mr. A. White who is still with us.

Miss Birt together with Mr. Yin Chung-yu were transferred here after the midsummer vacation, and Mrs. Savage commenced duties in December.

Messrs. Li Chung-shi, Ng Chee-yun, and Ko Wan-wang resigned; Mr. Leung Yik-tung was transferred to the Gap Road School, while Mr. Wong Tin-sik returned to the University.

Our senior vernacular master, Mr. Chak Ping-ki, was transferred to Queen's College in September last, his place being taken by Mr. Lai Siu-tsun.

The teaching staff now consists of three vernacular masters, six local English teaching masters, and five experienced Europeans. Here, I would like to tender my sincere thanks for the whole-hearted manner in which my staff has supported me and co-operated in all that has appertained to the welfare of the school, for we work under exacting and trying conditions—in an industrial and noisy area, and on the edge of a busy thoroughfare.

STUDIES.

The general standard of efficiency has been maintained: Map Drawing, Handwriting, English, Conversation and Composition call for special mention.

All the students of Class 4A, thirty-four in number, succeeded in passing the qualifying entrance examination to Class 3, Queen's College. This is a creditable performance when it is remembered that we had a shortened year, a more searching test, and a higher "Pass" mark, 60 per cent; instead of the 5 per cent of previous years.

Class 4, completed the year with 63 on the roll.

A unique experience occurred in connection with this examination. Two boys who were in situations left them and returned to school in order to take their "leaving" examination.

I mention this incident as it indicates the keenness and the spirit which permeates the school.

The tone and discipline are excellent.

SPORTS.

While concentrating most of our energies upon lessons, the physical side has not been neglected, and although handicapped for playing ground in the vicinity of the school, we have done well in sport.

Football, volleyball, and swimming are the principal recreations. Our volleyball team which won the Junior Shield, did not lose a single game, and scored to its credit the maximum number of possible points.

One hundred and twenty attended the swimming classes at the Y.M.C.A. and acquired the art which they were able to practise further at the launch and bathing places which are as popular as at the time of their inception, nearly twenty years ago. I attach great importance to these outings for they supplement the teaching of the class-room and bring pupils and teacher into a more intimate relationship, enabling the one to understand the other better.

Through the generosity of our benefactors and the staff, we have been able to purchase a number of books, maps, and other materials for the school.

The following gentlemen have made substantial donations for the special purpose of paying the fees of impoverished students:—Mr. King-shan.

which spent a week in camp at Tai Po Market, at the home of Mr. Mok Ching-kong.

There have been field days at Fanning, Shatin, Sheung Shui, and other places in the New Territory.

In this connection we have to tender our thanks to Sir Robert Ho Tung, Hon. Mr. Chow Shon-sun, Dr. Wan Man-kai, Messrs. C. H. Blason, Chan Harr, Woo Hay-tong, and Lui Lai-sang, who have made donations to the camp expenses.

Our Scouts assisted in the recent vaccination campaign also.

Mr. Leung Yik-tung, our Scout Master, although transferred to another school, still maintains his interest in the Troop, and is assisted by Mr. Kong Kam-chuen who is on our staff.

AMBULANCE.

The "Old Boys' Ambulance Division" under the able guidance of Sgt. Leung Sui-sang, performed much useful night work during the vaccination crusade, vaccinating 1832 persons.

It is said that it is "more blessed to give than to receive," and once again our boys were called upon to show their practical sympathy with the parents of a school fellow not so well blessed with this world's goods, and to give in the cause of charity.

The lad succumbed after a few days' sickness.

The last rites were arranged by class-mates, the funeral expenses paid by the school, and a substantial sum handed to the bereaved parents.

Never have I witnessed a more impressive sight than this funeral procession, winding its way up the road outside, in an orderly, decorous manner, attended as it was by the whole school-masters and pupils.

"One touch of pity makes the whole world kin."

MEDICAL.

During October a medical examination was conducted by Dr. Esler.

Numerous "eye" cases were treated and spectacles supplied.

Others necessitating operative and indoor treatment were catered for at the G.C.H. to the general and courteous superintendence of which, Dr. McKenny, we offer our best thanks.

The re-vaccination of our scholars was arranged by Dr. McKenny also.

Dr. Tsui Hin-ying of the Western Dispensary were greatly indebted. Dr. Tsui has treated a large number of minor ailments, and scarcely a week passes but that boys are sent to him for treatment.

GENERAL.

The school continues to serve a useful purpose as the "Practising School" for the University Education Undergraduates.

On October 31, we mercifully escaped what might have been a serious calamity had it occurred during school hours.

The nulloah which passes under Room 1, was choked during the unprecedented rainfall of that date, and burst through the floor sweeping everything before it—cupboards, desks, doors, and massive granite coping stones, some of which were washed as far as No. 7 Police Station.

We re-occupied this room just ten days ago.

The names of fourteen past pupils appear among the successful candidates at the recent University examinations.

Matriculation—one—Yau Fung-ho (Distinction in Physics) went to Queen's College as an Alan Morris Memorial Scholar.

Senior—one.

Junior—twelve—one of whom, Cheng In-man, also holding an Alan Morris Memorial Scholarship, gained no less than five distinctions.

DONORS OF SPECIAL PRIZES.

Referring to the donors of "Special Prizes," a significant and encouraging feature is the large proportion of past pupils and guardians who have contributed this year.

Through the open-handed liberality of these gentlemen we are able to supplement our prize list, and make awards other than those for "general proficiency" e.g. attendance badges, that would be impossible otherwise.

Captain Hall, Messrs. Ho Kom-tong, Yeung Shui-tin, Lee Hy-san, Hon. Mr. Chow Shon-sun, Messrs. Mok Kon-sung, Chan Shek-shan, Im Pun-tak, the late Mr. Ng Sau-sang, Mr. Wu Nam-tin, Messrs. Kwok Siu-lin, Ip Lap-chuen, Lo Chon-sun, Ho Pook, U Cheuk-nam, Choy Chong, Choo Pien, Ho Shui-lit, Ip Sau-chi, U Chouk-sung, Ho Chung-chau, S. C. Pang, P. K. Kwok, Fung Ping-sang, U To-tung, Hu Hi-kong, Ho Leung, Wong Kam-tuk, Mok Ching-kong, Dr. Wan Man-kai, Sir Robert, Ho Tung, Chau Tung-shang, Chan Chin-cheong, So Shai-pui, Choy Kit-ze, Yu King-shin, Li Cheuk-kin, Li Po-kwai, Wong Chun-lui, Lo Cheung-shui, M. K. Lo, Ho Ju, Lui Lai-sang, Choy Hing, Chau Chit-hing, Ho Cheuk, Lo Chuk-kui, Chan Pak-chun, Lai Long-pak, Ho Ki, Si Fung, Chan Chan-nam, Tam Kwok-shui, Yeung Chung-lam, Tam Ho, Ho Wing, Chan U Ching, Ng Pak-ha, Li Yew-tung, Mr. and Mrs. Li Ping, The Yung Wah Book Shop.

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Included in the Sports held at Chertsey was the Ladies' Plate, a race for ladies only. The race was won by Miss Stringer on her own horse "Bo-Peep." Miss Stringer also competed in another race, the Mellerth Stakes against gentlemen riders in which she finished second.



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The King accompanied by the Queen and Princess Mary Viscountess Innesclles visited Aldershot where he reviewed the troops.



Photo by Central News. Block by Nam Sang.
Latest photograph of Mr. Stanley Baldwin, whose brief reign as Premier has ended with Labour's triumph and Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's accession to the post. Mr. Baldwin is seen in the garden of his home at Astley Hall, in Worcestershire.

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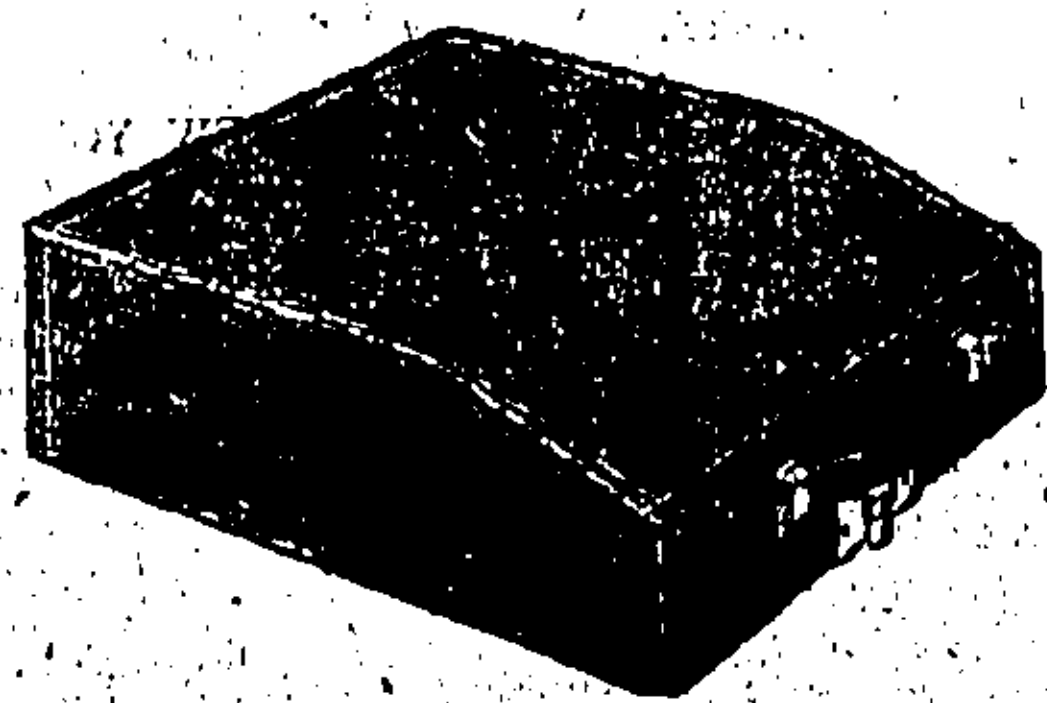
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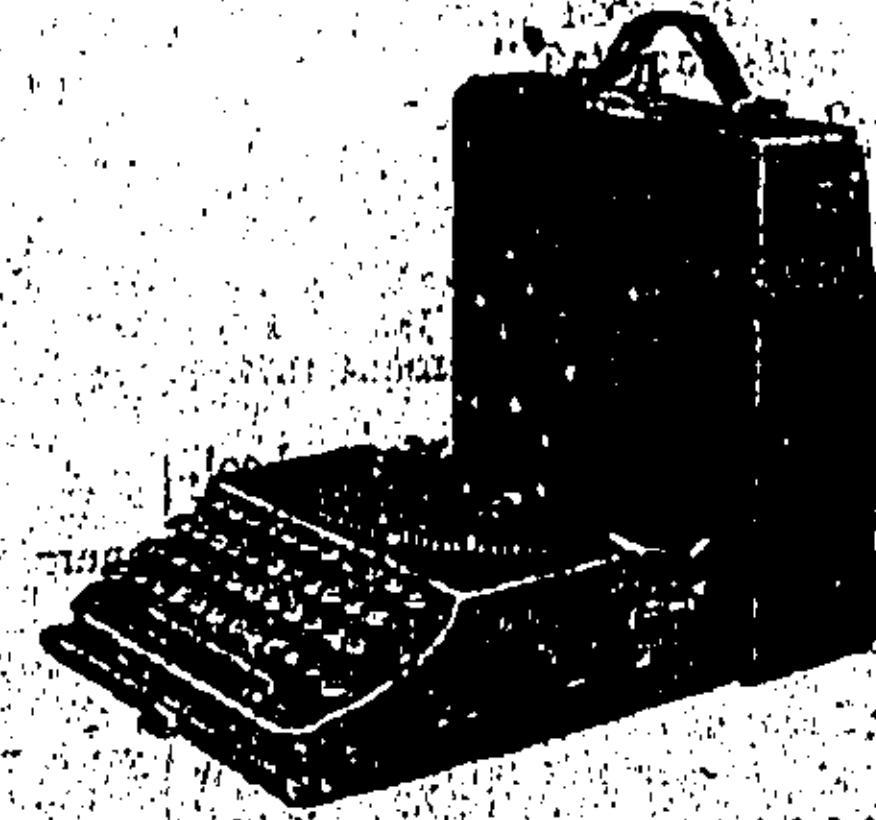
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